

Torrance Athlete to Speak At Special Lenten Service

Torrance war hero, sports champion, and missionary Louis Zamperini will be guest speaker Sunday evening at the fourth in a series of Lenten services at Central Evangelical United Brethren Church, Marcelina at Arlington Avenues. The service will begin at 7:30 p.m.

A graduate of Torrance High School, Zamperini first distinguished himself in the field of athletics. While attending USC, Zamperini broke the national collegiate mile record and held it for 15 years. He went on to become an Olympic track star and world champion miler.

During World War II, he was better known as the Army Air Force captain who crashed at sea and spent 47 days adrift on a small rubber life raft, the longest drift in Armed Forces history.

CAPTURED by the Japanese, Zamperini spent the next two and a half years as a prisoner of war, subjected to starvation and humiliation. He was declared officially dead following his disappearance.

Although he vowed never to return to Japan after the war, Zamperini later felt compelled to go back and bring the Christian message to those who persecuted him. He went so far as to seek out the very guards who were directly responsible for his experiences.

Zamperini has been featured on Ralph Edwards' "This Is Your Life" television program and is the author of the current book, "Devil at My Heels."

ZAMPERINI'S latest project is the Victory Boys Camp for delinquent and underprivileged youngsters. The camp is supported largely through contributions from the public.

The Sunday evening service will also feature music provided by Mrs. Roberta Jackson of Bellflower, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Walter M. Stanton of the Central Church.

GOP Women Plan Session

State Senator John Harmer (R-Glendale) will address a leadership training school sponsored by the California Federation of Republican Women, Southern Division, next Monday.

Senator Harmer will speak Monday at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. Congressman Robert Wilson (R-San Diego) also will address the meeting.

South Side

By Lynne Alessio

South's cafeteria will become a Hawaiian paradise Friday for the annual Girls' League Cotton Ball, held from 8 until 11:30. Real flower leis and wild tropical prints will set the mood of "Enchanted Isle."

The highlight of the dance will be the announcement of the class princesses and the crowning of the queen. Finalists were voted upon by punters and seniors. Queen finalists are: Debbie Celio, Liz Coker, Kathy Ellis, Susi Levanes, and Christy Waldeck. Finalists for senior princess are: Linda Kramer, Kris Killen, Sue Matsui, Nancy Mock, and Ginger Saunders. For junior princess: Penny Anson, Cathy Giardinell, Carla Huyesen, Karen Matsui, and Elena Sainz.

Sophomore princess finalists are: Sue Brown, Karen Jones, Georgia Farber, Terese Fitzpatrick, and Cindy Phillips. For frosh princess: Peggy Arguello, Cathy Coker,

Kris Nelson, Ann Voorhees, and Val Wigley.

The BIG project is over. Operation Nepal was an overwhelming success, exceeding all expectations. The exact amount of profit is not yet determined, but it is much above the expected. One generous donor offered plane tickets to Nepal for Mrs. Glenna Willett, the adult advisor, and Lynn Curtis, the student chairman of the festival. Both refused the offer however, because they felt the large sum it entailed should be put to better use.

The last of the quarter finals were completed today, and now only one 10-week quarter is left before summer vacation!!!

Program Planned

The music department of the Bethesda Assembly of God is sponsoring an Afterglow program this Sunday evening beginning at 9:30 p.m. featuring the Visionaires Trio with Helen Edmiston as violinist and pianist.

Afterglow is a series of southern style musical programs, held late each Sunday evening.

The Bethesda Afterglow is administered by Larry and Pat Wilson and features the Bethesda Choir and special singers.

Pastor Elwyn Lewis has invited persons of all faiths to attend this special program following their own evening services.

The Bethesda Assembly of God Church is located at 1473 W. 182nd St., one block west of Normandie Avenue.

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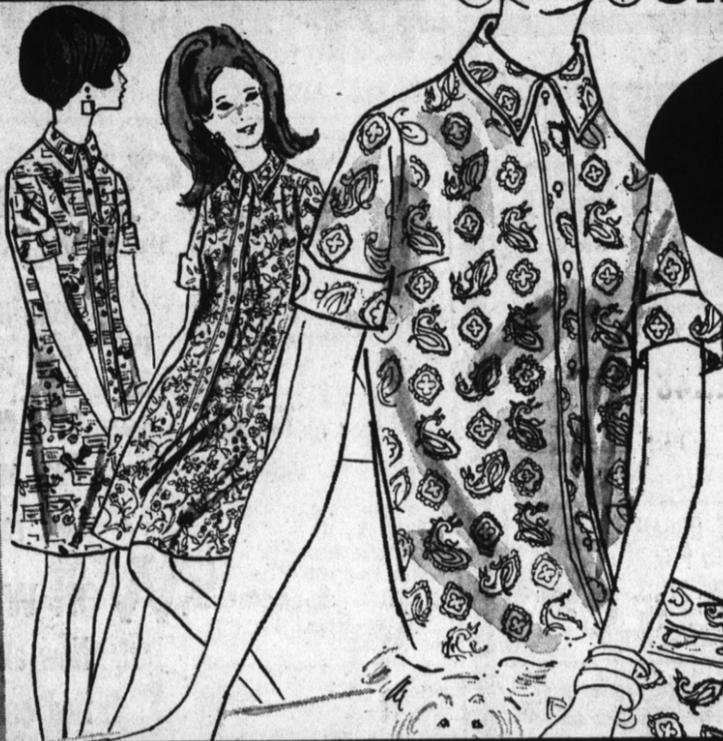
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